

**VOCABULARY TEACHING TECHNIQUES USED BY  
ENGLISH TEACHERS TO TEACH SEVENTH GRADE  
STUDENTS AT SMPN 6 SALATIGA**

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**ABSTRACT**

*Vocabulary is essential part of a language. In Indonesia especially in Salatiga, many students are still struggling to enrich their vocabulary in order to master English. It will make English teachers work hard to help their students to learn vocabulary. Therefore, this study investigates vocabulary teaching techniques that the English teachers used at SMPN 6 Salatiga for teaching seventh grade students. In this descriptive study, the research question was “how do the English teachers of SMPN 6 Salatiga teach vocabulary to seventh grade students”. The participants of the study were two English teachers of SMPN 6 Salatiga. The data of the study were collected by doing observations and semi-structured interviews. The result of the study indicated that the English teachers at SMPN 6 Salatiga used explicit vocabulary instruction, attractive activities such as crossword puzzles, listening to songs, reading novels, etc. and task-based learning to teach seventh grade students.*

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